

Evening Herald. PAPER OF THE CITY.

Plattsmouth, Neb., Dentist, Rockwood Building, No. 35. Others, Dentist, Union Block.

CITY CORDIALS.

The Young Men's Christian Association had a rousing meeting yesterday. The grain dealers inform us today that they are still paying twenty cents for corn. The case which is occupying the attention of the district court today is a will case brought up by the heirs of Eliza J. Mathis, deceased. The schools of the city, which have been closed for several weeks owing to the prevalence of diphtheria, opened this morning with a good attendance. The ladies of the Catholic church are making arrangements to give a fair on the 12th 13th and 14th of next month. The fair will be given in Fitzgerald's hall. The gathering of men at the Y. M. C. A. rooms yesterday afternoon was greater than the seating capacity, but more chairs will be secured for coming Sundays. The Showers & Boytes Comedy Company arrived in the city last night from the east. They stopped at the Riddle House and left for Weeping Water this morning where they play tonight. John Dillon has also canceled his date of January 9th, and wants the 14th instead, but as this date was promised to Mr. Kendall of the "Pair of Kids," Mr. Young does not know as yet, who will come out ahead on the date. Manager Yeung received a letter from Manager Davis of the Stowaway Company, canceling his date here of January 21. They play at the Boyd's in Omaha 7, 8 and 9. The company is a very large one and a great play, and would have been a big card for Plattsmouth. The manager informs Mr. Y. that his actual daily expenses are \$375, and that he would give Plattsmouth a call next fall. The reporter is on the track of a couple of young ladies of this city who bet the oysters on the quality of a lady friend's teeth. One young lady bet the oysters that the teeth were false, while the other considered herself safe in betting that they were natural. The reporter is anxiously awaiting developments as he has been promised a dish of oysters on the results. Wonder how they intend to settle the dispute? Mr. E. Carpenter of this city, and father-in-law, Mr. J. Cowles, of St. Johnsbury, Vt., who has been purchasing lots, erecting a building and making preparations for the opening of a large general store at Nehawka for the past two weeks, returned to the city Saturday night. They move to Nehawka immediately, and, although we regret much losing them from our midst, yet we extend to them our best wishes for success. They are much encouraged by the prospects offered by that growing town. This morning about 8:30 a fire broke out in the Wheeler house, Main street, now occupied by Mrs. Dodge as a boarding house, in the room over the kitchen. The fire originated in a defective chimney, and had it not been for the prompt action of several men who chanced to be near at hand at the time, the building would doubtless have been destroyed. As it is, a few dollars will cover all damages. The hose companies were present at the scene shortly after the alarm was sounded, prepared to do great work. Mr. George Wiles, who resides about three miles south west of this city, had a horse whip and a fine pair of calfskin shoes stolen from his buggy on Saturday morning about 10 o'clock. His horse was tied on the street, and while he was transacting business, the articles were stolen. The whip was found in the possession of three boys—Willie Lindsey, and two boys named Wildie. The whip was returned to its owner, but the officers were unable to find the shoes, and although the boys deny taking them, they are supposed to be the thieves. Plattsmouth people who have never seen the great dramatic success "Jim the Penman" and those who have, and may want to see it again, can have the opportunity the last three nights of this week and Saturday matinee, at the New Grand Opera House in Omaha. Mr. A. M. Palmer, the manager of the company, announces this as the last appearance of his company in "Jim the Penman" in Omaha and it is expected that there will be crowded houses every night. People visiting Omaha on Saturday can attend the matinee at 2:30 and come home on the 6:25 train. Take Notice. All members of F. M. Rieley Hose Co. No. 2: There will be a meeting tonight at 7:30 o'clock at Skinner & Ritchey's office, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. STEPHEN BUZZELL, Sec'y.

SO NEAR AND YET SO FAR.

All That Was Required for a Wedding Was a Groom.

Shortly after the arrival of the new year, 1888, and before the young ladies had fully realized the value of their privileges of last year, a young lady residing in the second ward, whose name we do not wish to give as she no doubt, feels too bad now, apparently wished to set an example to the fair sex in the way of proposing, offered her hand to a young man with whom she had been keeping company for some time. She wished to know of her lover, if he did not think her birthday, which occurred in October, would not be a good day on which to be married. The young man confirmed her statement, which she considered an acceptance. Shortly before the arrival of the birthday, the young lady asked her lover to postpone the wedding until New Year's day and if he did not think that day would be much nicer. He told her he believed it would be much nicer, so the wedding was postponed until then. Shortly before that time all arrangements were made by the young lady—invitations were extended to a good number of friends and all necessaries provided for the occasion. That day the table was spread, and the roast turkey, the emblem of genuine luxury, placed in the centre to await developments. The hour appointed arrived, but much to the embarrassment of the would-be bride, the supposed groom did not put in an appearance. We are sorry to say the young lady was doomed to disappointment, as her lover did not show up at any time and the longer she waited for the sound of his expected footsteps, the more discouraged she became. She should not be condemned for her action, but we consider the fellow unmanly who imposed upon her in this manner. Such was a young lady's leap year experience.

Juvenile Poker Players

A practice which is growing prevalent among the boys of Plattsmouth ranging in age from fifteen years to twenty-one, has recently come to light, and at present the authorities, who have been informed regarding the existence of such a game as they have been indignating in for some time, regardless of the penalty which the state threatens, should parties be exposed, are on the lookout for those boys who have been known for some time to meet each evening in some secluded corners and throw away their earning by holding hands at Poker. If the boys are informed as to how the law deals with gamblers, if they have any self-respect, they will surely desist. All parents of boys not younger than fifteen or older than twenty might be much surprised should they closely question their sons whom they consider models. Nearly every evening when a crowd of these boys can be seen dodging through some alley as though their lives depended on their movements, could be caught playing poker a few minutes later if they were followed. They have recently been watched, and as a warning to them we publish these few lines asking them to guard against such recklessness. If parents of these boys do not consider it their duty to look after them, the authorities do and they have threatened to take it in hand immediately. No doubt many of them will feel sick for awhile and form a dislike for the HERALD, but such a notice will do them no harm, and probably much good.

At the Y. M. C. A. Yesterday.

The respect which the Plattsmouth young men have for the efforts made in their behalf on the part of the Young Men's Christian Association was strongly evidenced at the 4 o'clock gospel meeting yesterday afternoon. It was doubtless the largest gathering of men, for a gospel service, which has ever met in this city. Over ninety were present, and the attendance at these meetings has grown so rapidly that seating capacity for this number had not been prepared, and many stood during the service; but hereafter chairs will be on hand to accommodate as many as the rooms can hold. These meetings are conducted in an attractive, but very earnest and interesting manner, and the young men have learned to appreciate and attend them as a profitable way to spend an hour each Sunday, and the 15-minute song service, as an opening for the meeting, is entered into with a lively spirit. The attendance yesterday was a surprise to those not aware of the interest manifested in the former meetings, and shows the value and extent of the influence of the association work to be very great. As the HERALD has said before, those who are financially supporting this work in our city can feel justly proud of their investment. Three conversions were had at the rooms yesterday.

Board of Health Resolutions

At the meeting of the board of health which was held last Saturday to consider the expediency of opening the schools of the city, the board of health decided to request the board of education to open the schools under the following restrictions: That no pupil from a family who have diphtheria shall be permitted to attend school unless provided with a physician's certificate stating that fourteen days have elapsed since the recovery of the patient having diphtheria.

PERSONALS.

Mr. S. Waugh is in Omaha today. Mr. A. B. Todd spent Sunday at Omaha. Mr. Simon Clark, of Cedar Creek, is in the city. Mr. W. H. Malick was a passenger to Omaha this morning. Mr. Frank Stanton, a banker of Louisville, is in the city today. Senator Polk left for Lincoln this morning to attend legislature. Mr. Fred Carruth and Miss Mary Skiles spent Sunday at Ashland with friends. Mr. John Ayerhart, a roving politician of Center precinct, is in the city today. Mr. Ed Cummins, who is attending a medical college at Omaha, spent Sunday at home. Mr. J. V. Weckbach and two daughters, Misses Mary and Anna, spent Sunday in Omaha. Mr. P. Rogers, who has been visiting at his Burlington home, returned to the city this morning. Mr. J. Black and family who recently removed to Omaha, are in the city today attending court. They return to Omaha tonight. Mr. Sam Patterson, who spent the holidays at his home here, returned to Bellevue last night where he is attending college. Riddle House Sunday guests: W. T. Brown, Lincoln; G. E. Smith, Lincoln; C. L. Bartlett, Council Bluffs; W. S. Tucker, Chicago. Mr. J. L. Singer, representing the firm of Field, Benedict & Co., of Chicago, has been in the city for the past two days. He left this morning. Mrs. Thos. Wilkinson and two nieces, Grace and Emma Cummings who have been visiting her for some time, arrived from McCook this morning. Capt. J. J. O'Rourke and son Morris, of Stockton, Kas., who have been visiting their relatives in this city for the past week, returned home this morning. Mr. Howard Brady and family, of Omaha, visited with the family of Mr. Geo. W. Dodge, of this city over Sunday. They returned to Omaha last night. Mrs. Deffenbaugh and sister, Miss Addie McVicar, of Wichita, Kas., after a very pleasant visit at the home of their uncle, Judge Sullivan, returned home last evening. Mrs. Capt. Palmer accompanied her daughter Miss Clara, who has been spending the holidays at home, to Omaha last night. She went to Omaha to resume her studies at Bromell Hall. Miss Yeager, who has been visiting friends in the western part of the state for several weeks, returned to this city Saturday night to visit with her cousins, the Misses McCoy before returning to her home in Pennsylvania. Messrs. Karnes, Larson, Davis and Kerr, of this city, who were appointed delegates by the Old Fellows to attend a meeting which is being held at Lincoln today in

connection with their order, left this morning by the early train for that city.

Riddle House guests: S. J. Meyer, Chicago; W. C. Kirkpatrick, St. Joe; S. Tucker, Chicago; W. H. Simmons, Kansas City; F. G. Andrews, E. A. Maryon, J. Haskell, Will Clanton, Aug Meyer, L. G. Gerard, Fred Engel, Omaha; M. E. Wheeler, Lincoln, C. E. Huffield, Ashland; P. A. Donnell, Lincoln; R. J. Dunning, Omaha; L. J. Griffiths, Nehawka.

Annual Weather Report, 1888.

Observations taken at Weeping Water and prepared for the HERALD. January: Temperature, mean 7.0, highest 51 on 31st, lowest -36 on 15th; rainfall, 4 in; snow fall, 5 in; days of precipitation, 5; fair days, 19; cloudy days, 4; 12th noted for terrible blizzard. February: Temperature, mean 25.5 highest 62 on 17, lowest -19 on 9th, rainfall 4 in; snow fall 5 in; precipitation 6 days; fair days, 14; cloudy 5 days. March: Temperature, mean 28.5, highest 78 on 18th, lowest -15 on 6th; rainfall 23 in; snow fall 7 1/2 in; precipitation 10 days; fair 18 days; cloudy 8 days; one thunderstorm on first. April: Temperature, mean 49.4, highest 86 on 22nd, lowest 17 on 20th; rainfall, 24 in; 10 days of precipitation; fair 15 days; 7 cloudy days; plums blossomed on 23rd. May: Temperature, mean 55.8, highest 86 on 21st, lowest 30 on 14th; rainfall, 6 1/2 in; 14 days of precipitation; 8 fair days; 11 cloudy days; 5 thunder storms. June: Temperature, mean 67.1, highest 87 on 16th, lowest 36 on 2nd; 4 inches of rainfall; 9 days of precipitation; fair days, 9; 4 cloudy days; 8 thunderstorms; last spring frost on June 1. July: Temperature, mean 77.6, highest 103 on 30th, lowest 57 on 19th; rainfall, 14 in; 7 days of precipitation; fair days, 20; 4 cloudy days; 5 thunderstorms. August: Temperature, mean 71.7, highest 104 on 5th, lowest 52 on 31th; rainfall, 5 1/2 in; 12 days of precipitation; fair days, 14; 3 cloudy days; 7 thunderstorms. Sept: Temperature, mean 61.6, highest 89 on 5th, lowest 30 on 30th; rainfall 7 in; first frost on 28th. Oct: Temperature, mean 46.8, highest 83 on 8th, lowest 22 on 20th; rainfall 1 1/2; leaves began falling on the 18th. Nov: Temperature, mean 36.3, highest 75 on 1st, lowest 9 on 22nd; rainfall 1 in; 2 days of precipitation; 15 fair days; 8 cloudy days; 1 thunderstorm on 1st. Dec: Temperature, mean 30.8, highest 65 on 4th, lowest -6 on 28th; rainfall, 1 in; snow fall, 5 in; 5 days of precipitation; 16 fair days; 7 cloudy days. Mean annual temperature 46.3; rainfall for year 27 1/2 in; snow fall 17 1/2 in. 1887: Mean temperature 48.9; fall of rain, 28 1/2 inches.

Mrs. Kessler has a couple of fine rooms to rent. First door west of Presbyterian church. 2t

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THE CHINESE IN CONVULSIONS

They Believe the Earth Will Be Burned into Ashes.

Tremendous Comet in the Heavens

A terrible ball of fire has recently been discovered in the Heavens, and is said to be approaching the Earth at the rate of one hundred and seven million miles per day. Astronomers are somewhat alarmed as to the direction in which it is centered, and tell us that if it does not change its course, it will surely be the destruction of the earth. It is estimated to be twelve times larger than the great planet Jupiter, which is the largest planet of the Universe. Astronomers tell us it will soon be visible to the people of this continent. It can be easily observed by the people of China and it is said that the Chinese by close observation have discovered upon the tail of the great comet printed in roman letters George W. Vass, the only scientific Jeweler residing in Plattsmouth.

Citizens, I am yours Fraternally, GEORGE W. VASS, Astronomer and Jeweler.

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